

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF BUENA VISTA, COLORADO**

June 2, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Town Beautification Committee was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Chairperson Joy Duprey. Those present were Joy Duprey, Judy Nyberg, Deborah Johnson, Lindsey Mueller, Jan Lewis, Tami Yinger, Diane Look, and Town Administrator Susan Boyd. There was a quorum.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on May 5, 2009 were approved.

ADDITION TO MINUTES

Susan Boyd, Town Administrator, asked to add an item under New Business: an upcoming work session with the Board of Trustees. The item was added to the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

Finances/Fundraisers

Joy provided a report of our current finances. As of June 1, 2009, we have \$1,696.43 in our account. It is estimated that flowers, soil, and fertilizer for the town planters will cost \$1,000. Our end of the month balance should therefore be about \$696.

Global Garage feels they will continue to sell a lot of our fundraising shirts during the summer season. Joy recently ordered an additional \$225 worth of shirts to sell at their location.

Distribution of Shirts

Joy distributed tee-shirts for the committee to be worn on planting day. Committee members purchased them at cost.

Flowers

The schedule for planting flowers is as follows:

- Wednesday, June 3rd: Meet at 9:30 a.m. at Chaffee County Times to add dirt to planters
- Thursday, June 4th: Meet at 10 a.m. at Serendipity to caravan to Merrifield's greenhouses to select and transport flowers.

- Friday, June 5th: Meet at 8 a.m. at Tami Yinger's house to distribute plants and then head out to plant.

Public Works will help move planters back onto the bump-outs on Main St. after final approval of the concrete work. They realize that the planters will be extremely heavy.

Jan DeBellis will demonstrate how to place flowers in the planters at the True Value parking lot on Friday morning after all the plants have been distributed.

Merrifield's recommends that we place some of the grasses in containers inside of the planters to prevent the grass from overtaking the other plants. They will show us how to do this.

Diane is coordinating the volunteers for planting day. So far, she has about 20 people.

Cemetery Landscaping

Deborah has spoken with Roy Gertson about how to proceed. She will meet with Gary Merrifield to determine which plants will do best in the environment and develop a plan. She will then meet with Roy.

Main St. Streetscape Committee Update

The new Town Planner has started and is getting up to speed. As soon as she is settled, she will form this committee. Susan asked for volunteers from Beautification to participate. Joy, Jan DeBellis and Jan Lewis volunteered. It was suggested that Susan Boyd also contact Shelly Dennis, Conrad Nelson, and Renee Morrison as possible committee members from the community.

Cottonwood Tree Locomotives

We are hoping that someone in the community will get excited about heading the effort to carve the tree "stumps" near the Depot into locomotive shapes. We will discuss this further at our next meeting. An art committee may grow out of the East Main Streetscape committee that could pick up this project.

NEW BUSINESS

Upcoming Work Session with Board of Trustees

Susan announced that the Board of Trustees would like to meet with all advisory boards as they begin to plan for next year's budget process. They have asked Beautification to make a report during their next work session, which will take place before the next Town Council meeting. The work session be 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 23rd.

At the work session, they would like Beautification to make a presentation, not longer than 15 minutes, that describes our goals for the upcoming year. Joy agreed to head this effort, and will email us her thoughts.

Next Meeting

The next Beautification meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 7th at 5 p.m. at Serendipity.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Diane Look